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**Monticello, Utah**—The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Utah Monticello Field Office is seeking comments during a 40-day public scoping period for the proposed Recapture Canyon All-Terrain Vehicle Trail System Right-of-Way (ROW) requested by San Juan County, Utah. The purpose of the public scoping period is to identify relevant issues that could influence the

**BLM Seeks Public Input on ATV Trail Proposal in San Juan County** 

The purpose of the public scoping period is to identify relevant issues that could influence the environmental analysis, including development of alternatives, and guide the planning process.

The BLM is considering a proposal by San Juan County, Utah for a ROW for an All-Terrain Vehicle system east of Blanding, Utah, including a route in Recapture Canyon. The components of the proposed action consist of 14.25 miles of trails, three trailheads (staging areas) and signage.

The proposal will be available for public review and comment on the Environmental Notification Bulletin Board at: <a href="https://www.blm.gov/ut/enbb/index.php">https://www.blm.gov/ut/enbb/index.php</a> (search for project name "Recapture Canyon Trail-Right of Way Application").

The BLM recognizes this public scoping period is during the holiday season and has extended the response period from 30 to 40 days. The scoping period will begin December 18, 2013 and written comments will be accepted by letter or email until Jan. 26, 2014. Please note that the most useful comments are those that contain new technical or scientific information relevant to the proposed action. Comments should be as specific as possible. Comments which contain only opinions or preferences will not receive a formal response but may be considered in the BLM decision-making process. Please reference "Recapture Canyon ROW" when submitting comments.

Written comments may be mailed or emailed using the following:

## Mail

Bureau of Land Management Monticello Field Office Attn: Realty Program P.O. Box 7 Monticello, UT 84535

## **Email**

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Before including an address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in any comments, be aware that the entire comment—including personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. Requests to withhold personal identifying information from public review can be submitted, but the BLM cannot guarantee that it will be able to do so. The BLM will not consider anonymous comments. All submissions from organizations and businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be available for public inspection in their entirety.

For additional information, please contact Brian Quigley at (435)587-1500. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to leave a message or question for the above individual. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Replies are provided during normal business hours.

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